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CALIFORNIAN QUAKE.

GREAT FIRE.

CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY INVOLVED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

EUREKA, September 17.

A sharp earthquake shock was experienced today. It began with mild vibrations which increased in violence and then ended abruptly.

BERKELEY, September 17.

A great fire is raging and hundreds of homes including those of more than half the faculty of the University of California are destroyed. Dynamite is being used in a desperate effort to check the flames which are spreading to the business section of the town.

[Berkeley, Alameda county, is near the East side of San Francisco Bay, 9 miles E.N.E. of San Francisco. It is the seat of the University of California and of the State Agricultural College. In 1890 the population was 5,100. Eureka is approximately 200 miles North of Berkeley.]

INDIAN AIMS.

NATIONAL CONGRESS DECISIONS.

DELHI, September 17.

A joint Hindu-Muslim sub-committee of the national Congress formed to suggest means to improve communal relations advises the formation of committees to draw up a national pact and make a tour of investigation in riot centres.

The Congress subjects committee carried a resolution in favour of organising civil disobedience. At a separate conference native states delegates passed a resolution urging representative constitutions for native states.

SPANISH REVOLT.

KING'S LATEST DECREES.

MADRID, September 17.

Although confined to his room by a bad cold, King Alfonso signed important decrees dealing with the dissolution of Parliament, ordering all employees of Government departments to attend their offices punctually from nine in the morning till two in afternoon, forbidding strangers to enter Government offices, dismissing all civil governors and confirming the proclamation of martial law throughout the country.

LATE MINISTERS ARRESTED.

CERREJES, September 17.

Travelers from Spain bring a report that the late Ministers have been arrested.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

HUGE CONCESSIONS.

The German ex-chancellor Wirth has obtained what is regarded as the biggest concession hitherto granted by the Soviet, namely, the exploitation over a million desiatins of forest westward of Rybinsk, completion of the railway towards the Baltic and the creation of large sawmills. These undertakings will ultimately become state property.

DUTCH QUEEN.

SUGGESTS ECONOMIES.

HAGUE, September 17.

Queen Wilhelmina has informed the Minister of Finance that if the salaries of state officials are reduced in 1924 she will relinquish a similar proportion of the royal revenue from the treasury. The Queen Mother has acted similarly.

REVOLUTIONARIES ROUTED.

EIGHTY-TWO DEAD.

JERUSALEM, September 17.

Abdullah's troops have quelled the revolution in Trans-Jordan. The revolutionaries were routed after a fierce engagement and fled leaving 82 dead, including some chiefs.

JAPANESE SILK.

EMBARGO RAISED.

NEW YORK, September 17.

The Raw Silk Trade Council and Silk Association of America has decided to lift the embargo on trading in Japanese raw silk from September 18.

RUHR.

BAR SINISTER RAISED.

COLOGNE, September 17.

The traffic bar between the occupied and unoccupied area in Germany has now been lifted.

ANTHRACITE MINERS.

WAGES AGREEMENT RATIFIED.

SCRANTON, September 17.

The anthracite Miners Convention has ratified the new wages agreement and has voted for immediate resumption of work.

FUME'S FLIGHT.

ON VERGE OF STARVATION.

ITALY TAKES CHARGE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ROME, September 17.

General Giardino, who has been appointed military Governor, has gone to Fiume. The fact he is wearing mufti and is not carrying a uniform is regarded as an indication that his mission will be entirely confined to the civil administration of the city and will have no military object. It is desired to maintain friendly relations with Serbia but it is felt that further postponement of a settlement on the part of Yugo-Slavia cannot be tolerated, especially in view of the plight of Fiume which, according to all accounts, is on the verge of starvation.

TROUBLE IN PALESTINE.

REVOLT AGAINST EMIR ABDULLAH.

JERUSALEM, September 17.

It is authoritatively reported that a revolution has broken out in Trans-Jordan against Emir Abdullah, whom the British Government recently granted control of territory which geographically is part of the Palestine mandate but has been made the stepping stone of the British policy of facilitating the formation of an independent Arab confederation. Abdullah who is a son of King Hussein and a brother of Emir Faisal led armies during the war against the Turks. Abdullah's official organ recently foreshadowed a campaign for the establishment of a Caliphate in Mecca, claiming the right to settle the personality of the Caliph on the ground that the Arabs were at the present day the guardians of Islam.

TRIBESMEN'S COSTLY ATTACK.

LATER.

Adwan and Belka tribesmen who attacked Abdullah's camp are reported to have sustained heavy losses.

LONDON COMMERCIAL CORPORATION.

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION DECIDED UPON.

LONDON, September 17.

A meeting of the Commercial Corporation of London carried a resolution in favour of voluntary liquidation through the formation of a holding company. Threats of turbulence at the beginning of the meeting disappeared when Mr. Hatry, a director and originator of the Company and the largest shareholder, announced his intention to waive his claims in favour of the other shareholders.

EARTHQUAKE REFUGEES.

ARRIVAL IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA (B.C.) September 17.

The steamer "President Jefferson" with 155 refugees aboard representing thirteen nationalities has arrived from Yokohama. While in quarantine 33 British and Canadian passengers, some of whom were suffering from broken limbs, bruises and shock, were taken off and placed under medical care. The Canadian Government has offered to assist all the refugees.

ITALO-GREEK SETTLEMENT.

LEAGUE COUNCIL DISCUSSION.

GENEVA, September 17.

After despatching a formal acknowledgment of the Conference of Ambassadors' note regarding the Italo-Greek dispute the Council of the League heard a statement by Lord Robert Cecil largely attributing the satisfactory settlement to the intervention of the League. M. Branting regretted that the Council's reply did not allude to the competence of the council but the discussion was adjourned at Signor Salandra's request.

HOME CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE vs. REST DRAWN.

LONDON, September 17.

At the Oval to-day, the match between Yorkshire (champion county) and the Rest was drawn.

Yorkshire, in the first innings, made 430 for 4 wickets and declared. Holmes scored 99, Sutcliffe 74, Oldroyd 53, Rhodes 50 not out and Roy Kilner 64 not out.

The rest compiled 273, to which J. Bryhn contributed 109.

Yorkshire had made 26 for one wicket when stumps were drawn.

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which now lies in the harbour of
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Hongkong, 12th September, 1923.

on
THURSDAY, Sept. 20, 1923,
commencing at 11 a.m.
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Large Assortment
of Hardware.

Comprising:—
Stone Mason Tools, Nails, Pliers,
Gardens, Tins, Finery, Oils, etc.,
August, Tins, Horn Cutlery, Pliers,
Curriers, Straight Edges, Round and
Square Files, Square Files, Spanners,
Navy Picks, Mason Tools, Stone
Breakers, Hammers, Boiler Maker
Hammer, Tinning Knives.
And
Five Cans Naphthalene Balls.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMBERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

on
THURSDAY, Sept. 20, 1923,
at 2.45 p.m.
at "Civic" 1st Floor, No. 13 The Peak.
A Large Quantity of Valuable
Household Furniture.

Comprising:—
Rattan, built chairs, Chesterfield
couch and chairs by Lane Crawford,
Ltd., teak & mahogany arm chairs with
covers, curio cabinet, large round dining
table, teak sideboard, dining chairs,
dinner waggons, pictures, ornaments,
carpets, etc., etc.
Teak and iron double & single bed-
stead, teak side and double wardrobes
with glass doors, dressing table, marble
top, washstand, chest of drawers, teak
folding table, teak screen, double and
single toilet sets, Shanghai bath, filter,
ice chest, cooking stove, aluminium and
iron cooking utensils, etc., etc.

Also
Several pieces of blackwood ware.
And
A large quantity of palms, ferns and
plants.
On View from Wednesday the 19th,
September 1923.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMBERT BROS.,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 11th September, 1923.

on
TUESDAY, Sept. 18th, 1923,
commencing at 2.45 p.m.
at No. 39 (top floor) Humphreys
Buildings, Rand Road, Kowloon.
A Large Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture.

Comprising:—
Drawing room suite, chesterfield
couch and chairs, mahogany piece, brass-
ware, pictures, curio, teak extension
dining table, chairs, sideboard, dinner
waggon, cut glass, glass ware, teak
bedstead, teak wardrobe with glass
doors, dressing table, chest of drawers,
tea table, washstand, toilet set,
carpet, pile rug, etc., etc.

Also
A few pieces of blackwood ware
And
One Baby Grand Piano (in excellent
condition) by John Bradwood & Sons.
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On View from Monday, the 24th
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The Boy Who Lapsed.

An amusing tale of a lapsed boy
who conquered the letter "s" only
to be in turn beaten by it at the
critical moment was told by Mr.
Jones, a lecturer, at the
Teachers' Vacation Course at the
Connaught Rooms, Great Queen-
street, W.C. The boy was one of
his pupils at Birmingham, and Mr.
Jones said he promised to excuse
him and the whole class from home
lessons if the boy could pronounce
the letter properly within a month.
At the end of that time the boy
said "I can't do it, I can't do it,"
and he was immediately sent to him.
"Splendid, little man; you are
cured, aren't you?" "I think so,"
he said, and the reply.

Live Son Mourned.

When Samuel Robinson, of Bal-
derton, Nottinghamshire, called at
the isolation hospital at Newark to
inquire about his 6-year-old son
Walter, who was suffering from
diphtheria, he was informed, he
says, by a nurse, "He has just
gone." The father returned to his
home and reported to his neighbor
bears the loss of his son. The
bell in Balderton Church was tolled.
Two hours later the nurse arrived
at the father's house and said the
child was still alive. The mother
of the hospital says that when the
father called she was off duty and
the nurse in charge of the case
thought the child had died when it
turned a bad colour. When Dr.
Hine and the medical officer, Dr.
Baxter, saw the child they said life
was not extinct. The child is still
seriously ill.

The Prince Incognito.

When the Prince spent his
recent short holiday incognito he
set up a precedent, for this is the
first time King George's eldest son
has travelled in this fashion. It is
likely, I hear, says a Scottish writer,
that he will do so again a good
many times, for he is beginning to
realize that he cannot stand the
strain of such loyal crowding and
publicity while endeavouring to
seek rest. In this, of course, he is
but following the example of his
royal grandfather, King Edward,
and also of Queen Victoria. All
royal people like to "get off on their
own" when they can; those, how-
ever, who are in attendance upon
them dread such occasions, for it
adds so much to their responsibilities.
A few years ago, during a
great public celebration, certain
members of the Royal Family were
dining privately at the house of
an intimate friend. They de-
sired to go out and see the illumina-
tions and wished to take a bus.
The host had to submit.

The Oldest Inn.

American visitors who are
searching for old English inns
might do worse (says the *Daily
Chronicle*) than take a run down to
Liphook, Hants, and peep in at the
old Royal Anchor. Like several
other inns in various parts of the
country, the Royal Anchor is the
oldest inn in England! Which
really is the oldest of all the oldest
inns in this fair land of ours it
would be difficult to say, but the
Anchor at Liphook claims to have
held fast for something like 600
years, and that's going back some.
Monarchs of England have been
dropping in there, it is said, since
1307. Samuel Pepys found an anchor
at the inn, and mentions it in
his diary, and Lord Nelson had
breakfast there on the day he set
sail on his last journey. Add to
these the romantic shades of high-
waymen and smugglers, and dash-
ing cavaliers who hid from Crom-
well's men in the secret cupboards
of the Royal Anchor, and what
more could the most exacting
American tourist desire?

Bricks from Gold Mine Dumps.

It is believed that at last the mine
dumps will be turned to commer-
cial use in the manufacture of
bricks, according to *The South
African Mining and Engineering
Journal*. Some time ago Mr. W.
Higgin, chief engineer to the
Rand Water Board, caused to be
sent overseas, for testing in build-
ings, hermetically sealed samples
of sand from the dumps of the
George Goch, Ferreira and Robbin-
son Deep Mines, together with
quantities of white and blue lime
from the Northern Lime Company
and the Ventersdorp Company.
The sands were first freed from
all trace of cyanide. Mr. W.
Arnott, engineer, of Glasgow, took
these samples of sand and lime to
the Continent and there personally
inspected the process. As a result,
samples of bricks have reached
Johannesburg, and it is claimed
that they are as satisfactory as
faced bricks at a low cost. They
are hard, and grey-white in colour.
They have been inspected with
great interest, and a company has
been formed. It is stated that
£6000 of these bricks can be turned
out per diem at a cost of 2s. 6d.
per 1,000. In his report Mr. Arnott
says the bricks "are better than
the best clay bricks, and are justly
known as hard bricks." A crushing
resistance of over 4,000 lb. per
square inch has been obtained, and
a degree of hardness far surpassing
clay bricks.—*Engineering*.

Stressmann.

If Dr. Stressmann is the new
German premier he is likely to
prove a pretty interesting person-
ality—very different from Dr.
Cuno, who was an exceedingly
colourless individual. Stressmann
is well known in London, as he was
for some time a councillor in the
German Embassy in the happy
days before the war. He came to
the front after the Armistice as a
leader among the National
Liberals, and has a very solid fol-
lowing among all classes. There
is one point with regard to his
selection which seems significant;
he has long been an ardent op-
ponent of the Hohenzollerns—so
this would seem to indicate that
the return of the exile, or his son, is not
likely to meet with much sympathy.
Stressmann is a man of consider-
able literary abilities, and a great
lover of music—an amiable and
cultivated man.

Is the Earth a Jelly?

A startling suggestion is put
forward by Professor W. de Sitter,
of the University of Leyden, in
Nature. It is that the earth is not
rotating as a rigid body, but that
some parts of its surface are
moving relatively to other parts.
The earth, in fact, is behaving as if
it were a jelly-fish substance and
not a sphere rigid as steel. It
would follow that the distance
between various points on its sur-
face is shifting slightly. Wireless
signals exchanged between
various observatories have shown
discrepancies reaching, on occa-
sions, several tenths of a second.
Similar fluctuations in recent years
have been observed on the surface
of the "moon"; in fact, something
very queer, happening in the
solar system, because even the sun
seems to have been infected by
the new astronomical complaint.
Whether it is serious remains to be
seen. Trifling "wobbling" of the
poles is now believed by seismolo-
gists and geologists to be mys-
teriously connected with violent
earthquakes, and, perhaps, with
volcanic eruptions.

A Costly Mistake.

"Sir Henry Lucy, in his new book,
"The Diary of a Journalist" (John
Murray), tells the following story
of an American lady whose
husband, one of the modest
millionaires of the United States,
following the fashion of his class,
spends a considerable portion of
his surplus income in works of art.
The lady, being in New York,
heard of a sale by auction which
included a particularly tempting
vase. Inquiring the probable price,
she was told it would be not less
than £1,500. She wrote to her
husband in Chicago giving a glow-
ing account of the treasure, and
asking him to telegraph her if he
were disposed to pay so much.
Promptly came the reply, "No
price too high." There was a duck
of a husband! Trusting implicitly
in her taste and judgment, a thou-
sand dollars here or there were
nothing to him. Jubilantly repair-
ing to the auction room, she be-
came at the cost of £1,550 the
pleased possessor of the vase. She
lost no time in communicating the
good news to her husband and
received a scorching reply. What
he telegraphed was: "No. Price
too high."

An Ice-cream.

Why does not someone, asks
a writer in the *Daily Herald*,
to make the task of the ardent
adventurer who imbibes iced
lemonade through a straw, invent
ice that does not float? Toil
as he may to tap the coldest
place (the neighbourhood of the
ice), always the elusive crystal
evades the straw, and anon he
finds himself "blasted" by the
flimsy tube. Then a purgation
as of a dying soda-water-siphon is
heard, and all eyes are fixed upon
him with a stony stare. (Yes, of
course, he might drink it without
using the straw—but is that quite
fair?)

Sea-Water Cure.

Sea water taken as a medicine is
increasing in favour with doctors.
In some cases the method of in-
tramuscular injection is considered
better. The preparations used are
procured about twenty miles from
shore at a depth of thirty fathoms,
experience having proved that it is
there that sea water is at its best.
Its beneficial properties are derived
from the "halogen" salts it con-
tains in solution. Among other
things, salt water is useful as a mild
purgative; sailors have long ap-
preciated its use. A haphazard in-
dulgence is not recommended of course,
but if bathers happen to swallow a
few pints while learning to swim,
they need not worry as they will
probably be all the better for it!
Strange stories have been told of
madness being provoked by drink-
ing sea water. This reaction how-
ever, only occurs in cases of ship-
wrecked sailors with no supplies of
fresh water.

A Considerate Employer.

In order to give his twenty em-
ployees a real holiday Mr. Keith,
a merchant of Manchester, Con-
necticut, decided to close his large
furniture shop for a period of
two weeks. Asked why he had
adopted this novel method, Mr.
Keith explained that there was a
difficulty in arranging holiday
periods so as not to interfere with
the efficiency of the staff. He
declared that there was always a
nervous-racking rush up to the last
hour, and the thought of the
accumulation of work awaiting a
particular employee's return almost
spoiled the holiday idea. Mr.
Keith said that he expected to lose
money, but pointed out that there
was more in life than just money-
grabbing. "I have no doubt," he
said, "that the company will earn
enough money this year to give us
all a living, and, after all, there is
little in life materially except three
meals a day, a comfortable
place in which to sleep, and enough
clothes."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy has no superior as a cure
for colds, croup and whooping cough.
It has been a favourite with mothers of
young children for almost forty years.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy can
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to take.
Not only cures colds and grip, but
prevents their resulting in pneumonia.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy con-
tains no opium or other narcotic and
may be given as confidently to a child as
an adult. For sale by all Chemists and
Storekeepers.



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"After long experience of Hall's Wine I
still continue to prescribe it, and have
never failed to obtain benefit in all cases."

Hall's Wine is a scientific preparation—the prescription of a
Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, England, and
it has been steadily growing in popular favour for over a
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BIRTH.

VELICOGNA.—On September 12, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Velicogna, a daughter.

DEATH.

LOGAN.—On September 11, 1923, at Shanghai, Francis Reginald, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Logan.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, SEPT. 18, 1923.

JURY REFORM.

At the moment we are unable to ascertain if the Jury System is a legacy from the little meeting which took place a not inconsiderable time ago on the field of Runymede, or a development of a system the origin of which is wrought in the mists of legal antiquity. The great Charter granted by King John amongst other things enacted that all accused persons should be tried by their peers, and that there was to be no imprisonment without lawful trial. The Hon. the Attorney-General does not throw much light on the matter for in the interview he was good enough to give our representative and which appears in our Saturday's issue he said:—"Trial by jury is an old institution, which has stood the test of time." adding:—"It would be a pity to abandon it; I know of no better system." These are definite statements but, with due deference, we submit that Mr. Kemp's further statements or arguments are solid reasons for abolishing the Jury System as it is known in Hongkong, in favour of a tribunal of a more representative legal

character. Mr. Kemp admits that "the weighing of evidence" requires training; that, "theoretically, a body of jurors cannot be so expert as three judges or three magistrates who are continually sifting evidence." He points out that jurymen do not take notes; that in cases where a trial is protracted the juror can only get a vague impression of the merits of the case; and that they are likely to be swayed by the defending Counsel. These and the other important statements made by the Hon. Attorney-General seem to be damning evidence of the weakness of the Jury System, but in spite of all this Mr. Kemp thinks we should keep to the system "which has been in existence for so many years." On the question of women serving as jurors the Hon. the Attorney-General is against the idea. He cannot see that the innovation would do much harm or much good; that he would like to see how it works at Home before its adoption is tried in the Colony. He is against women serving as he considers they are probably more liable than men to reach a conclusion from intuition on sentimental grounds, apart from the evidence, and that they are also more inclined than men to decide on sentimental grounds. Of three of the four additional points advanced by Mr. Kemp "why it is inadvisable to include women on local juries," opinion may possibly be divided, but not overwhelmingly we think, in favour of Mr. Kemp's opinions. It is difficult to believe that Mr. Kemp is unaware of the fact that in certain cases at home a jury of matrons may be impanelled; that the question of women serving on juries in England has been long enough in operation to show that the innovation either is or is not a success. In addition it may be

added that this is not the Victorian Age, but an age in which day by day, hour by hour, woman is contesting her right to be the equal of man. Our original entry into this matter was to suggest that a reform in the local Jury System was needed whereby local executives should have the right to be heard in favour of temporary exemption from duty should the sudden exigencies of their business demand their whole attention and thus give them the right to exemption—not merely on personal grounds, but on grounds that might be considered national. We hinted that we felt we could make out a strong case whereby the Jury System as it exists in the Colony should be abolished. We did not state our reasons and there is no need to do so now. We claim that the Hon. Attorney-General's various statements prove clearly that in spite of the system having been in existence for so many years, a much better system would be to have trained legal minds in the shape of additional judges, magistrates or assessors, to which reference was made in the course of the interview. Provision could be made in the case of a prisoner wishing to be tried by a jury of his fellows, for this to be done. We should hesitate much in agitating for the abolition of any right of the free-born person to have his privileges taken from him, but in the present system we cannot find that these alleged rights were either fought for or desired. Our information goes to show that every man and woman in England and Wales between the age of 21 to 60 possessing property to the extent of £10 freehold or £20 leasehold, or being assessed to the Poor Rate, is liable to serve on the jury in his or her County. Presumably these qualifications carry with them the right to vote in Municipal and possibly Parliamentary elections. In Hongkong the "qualification" is that the jurymen must be in receipt of a salary of not less than \$100 per month and have a knowledge of the English language. He has no voice (there are certain preferential exceptions) in the Councils of those who set out to govern and Ordinance him in the way he shall go, and to all intents and purposes is considered fit only to serve as a jurymen. *Verb. Sup.*

Canton Police Powerless.

A Canton correspondent throws further light on the growing power of the military in the City of Run. The police having failed to comply with any orders to furnish coolies to carry military supplies to the front, a party of soldiers were detailed to commander carriers one morning last week. The military press-gang, unable or unwilling to spare time in rounding up out-of-work, surrounded a party of coolies carrying food for the residents at Tung Shan—some dropped their burdens and made good their escape, but the majority were captured and forced to carry supplies for the front. Complaints were made to the police, but no redress was obtained. On Sunday afternoon, September 9, a soldier in uniform shot and wounded with a revolver bullet a Chinese walking past No. 4 Main Police Station. The wounded man ran into the station and asked for protection from his assailants, but was roughly ordered out of the place and told to pretend he was hurt, although the bullet had caused a scalp wound. The assailant, in company with another man, so the story goes, refused past the police station and walked on to the police station. He gave an explanation of his conduct. In fact, when one of the policemen plucked up sufficient courage to make some attempt to show his authority, the soldiers threatened to fill him with lead if he did not desist. This incident was witnessed by four foreigners. What hope can there be for Sun Yat-sen when his police are powerless to prevent the so-called soldiers of freedom from ill-treating and attempting to murder the very people whom they are presumably paid to protect. It seems quite evident that the military leaders in Canton have completely usurped the civil authority and that Dr. Sun Yat-sen is powerless to protect the civilian community. The commandeering of coolies can be excused on the plea of military necessity, but attempted murder and defiance of the ordinary rules of Civilization is quite another matter.

Old Clothes.

The other day the Archbishop of Canterbury explained to a Kentish audience why clergymen wore their peculiar dress. He admitted that it

had neither beauty nor obvious utility. "They do not," he said, "wear that dress because they think it is beautiful or comfortable, but because they find no reason to alter a custom which existed 100 or 150 years ago." We believe that the dress of the higher clergy goes back much further than a mere 150 years, but the explanation is true in essence. The only reason for the dress of the bishops and archbishops is that it was worn a long time ago. The dress is not comfortable, it is not beautiful, it is not cheerful, it is simply old. And that is a reason that would carry conviction in no other direction save religion. A little more than 150 years ago our ancestors were still wearing knee-breeches and flannel coats with powdered wigs, etc. But no one would think that an adequate reason for walking down Queen's Road to-day in such a get-up. When our forebears wished to go on a journey they went on horse-back or in a lumbering stage-coach, but we do not follow their example. We travel more rapidly and with greater ease. In all ways we pride ourselves on being up-to-date. In secular affairs we look to the future; in religious ones to the past. In secular matters we hope that our children will know more than we know, will do better than we do. In religious affairs the chief anxiety appears to be to take care that they shall not know more than we know, or act more wisely than we do.

Today's Poem.

(Our Pet Virtue.)

Most men have their pet virtue.
A Truth to please their eyes:
To make a screen for their pet vice
Fanned by a thousand lies.

JOHN KYOTO.

1923.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

September 18.—Coronet Theatre: Douglas Fairbanks in "The Mark of Zorro."

September 18.—Star Theatre: Priscilla Dean in "Wild Honey."

September 18.—World Theatre: H. B. Warner in "The Haunting Shadows."

September 22.—Theatre Royal: Bandman's Eastern Circuit Comedy Company's opening performance at 9.15 p.m.

AUCTIONS.

September 19.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, Duddell St., the s.s. "Wah Kiu," noon.

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MEETINGS.

September 19.—Regular monthly meeting of Marine Engineers' Guild of China, at Sailors' Home, West Point, 5 p.m.

September 20.—Extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Hide and Leather Co., Ltd., at 67/69, Des Voeux Road, 12.15 p.m.

October 2.—Ordinary general meeting of Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Offices, 20, Des Voeux Road, 11 a.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Router announces that German marks are now a thousand million to the pound.

During the 48 hours ending September 16, two cases of enteric were notified. Both patients are Chinese.

The Admiral Oriental Liner "President McKinley," which arrived at Yokohama on schedule and was due here September 20, has been delayed three days and will not arrive here until Sunday, September 23.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha inform the *China Mail* that they have received cable advice from their Kobe office that the N. Y. K. is allowing free transportation to Chinese refugees from Yokohama and Kobe to Shanghai and Hongkong.

Our local photographers are hard to beat. One of them, this morning, was seen perched on the top of the Tramway Co.'s motor-repair ladder, making a close-up of the new A. P. C. building. Presumably he was anxious to get a front view of the upper storeys.

A Chinese man named Lam Chat aged 34, was admitted to Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday afternoon. He is a coolie employed at the cement works at Hung Lam and had fallen from the machinery to the ground, a distance of 16 feet. Though he is expected to recover.

AN ABERDEEN AMOUR.

TRAGEDY OF UNREQUITED LOVE.

An unreciprocated "pash" for an Aberdeen sampan girl was the cause which led to Lai Wing's appearance in the dock at the Criminal Sessions to-day before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) on a charge of throwing corrosive fluid. He pleaded guilty.

Lai Wing and another man, related Mr. Dyer Ball, the Assistant Attorney-General, engaged a sampan at Apichau on the evening of August 9 to go across to Aberdeen. A woman and a girl were in the sampan and when they reached Aberdeen, Lai Wing apparently made an amorous proposal to the girl. When his suggestion was flatly turned down he threw something out of a bottle into the sampan and the girl, looking up, got some of it on her forehead. Hearing her cries, a Chinese constable chased Lai Wing and arrested him.

The liquid thrown into the sampan had been analysed as sulphuric acid, Mr. Dyer Ball said, but the girl was not seriously injured.

His Honour asked whether, in the form the acid was, it was capable of causing harm to the girl if it had got into her eyes, for instance.

Mr. Dyer Ball replied that the doctor has said it probably would have blinded her if it had reached her eyes.

His Honour: The full penalty is life, is it not?

Mr. Dyer Ball: Yes.

"This is a very serious offence," His Honour told Lai Wing, "and the doctor has said that if the acid had gone into the girl's eyes it might have blinded her for life. In consideration of your comparative youth I shall not give such a heavy sentence as I should otherwise; I must sentence you to five years with hard labour."

MERELY MAKING MEDALS.

COUNTERFEITER'S NOVEL PLEA.

Tokwawan is a little village along the road that leads to Kowloon City. When Sgt. Terry and some Chinese police went there on the afternoon of August 17, armed with search warrants, they entered a certain house and found a man at work in a small room at the back. They slipped in so quietly that he did not hear them come in but kept on with his task of scraping out a plaster mould with a piece of bent iron.

As investigations revealed a crucible of molten metal and other paraphernalia for counterfeiting Hongkong one-cent pieces, the man, whose name was Leung Kong, was arrested. When he came before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) at the Criminal Sessions this morning, he explained that he was merely experimenting with a one-cent piece because later on he intended making medallions.

The jury proved incredulous and very quickly brought in a verdict of "guilty." His Honour awarded a sentence of three months' jail.

WILD HONEY.

MOVES OVER TO THE STAR.

"Wild Honey," the successful film version of Cynthia Stockley's well-known novel, will go over to the Star to-night and to-morrow. Priscilla Dean has a good part in this romance of the African veldt, and the final scene, where she saves her lover from a flood caused by a burst dam, is finely produced.

"Wild Honey" was popular at the Coronet, and should please Kowloon audiences.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Colonial Secretary notifies that persons wishing to hand in arms in their possession may if they so wish send them to a Justice of the Peace for transmission to the Police Department.

The Commodore has received from H.M.S. "Tarantula" a report to the effect that the s.s. "Sung Giang" is reported aground at the south-east end of Chang Island. Vessels navigating the channel are therefore requested to take the necessary precautions.

With reference to the advertisement in another column, as to the collection of second-hand clothing at the City Hall, for despatch to the devastated areas in Japan, we are asked to state that a very gratifying response is being made to the appeal for this form of assistance and the Ladies' Committee which has the arrangements in hand has already received considerable supplies. It is desired that gifts may reach the City Hall by Friday morning in order that Saturday may be free for packing.

JOTTINGS FROM MACAO.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

The Sunken Harbour Police Launch.

It now transpires that when the Harbour Police Launch "Areia Preta" (afterwards renamed "Almirante Hugo de Lacerda") was raised, the vessel was found to have her cable entwined around her hull no fewer than five times, indicating a rolling movement whilst on the sea-bottom.

After being located by the soundings taken by Lieutenant Curmon, Adjutant Harbour-Master, the work of salvage was put through successfully by Sr. Jacob Martins de Carvalho, Dockyard Manager, of the Naval Yard.

One of her guns remained on its base, but the others were washed overboard in the storm that preceded her sinking. The vessel is now on the slips, and is expected shortly to return to service.

The "Liberal" and Revelation.

The *Liberal* in its English section has published an interesting article comparing the influence of the different religions of Italy and Japan upon their respective peoples, and referring to the parallel story related in the Book of the "Revelation of St. John the Divine."

Police News.

To-tai-cho, a good fellow but for his absent-mindedness, had been sent to Hongkong to collect an account of \$552.75 for a certain Chan-tin-cum, and on his return, by mistake, allowed a portion of the amount to fall upon the table of a Pan-tun house—a portion which promptly found its way into the crookier's drawer. The police, moved to pity by his distress, have allocated him an apartment at the "Hotel do Governo."

Another Chinese, an anonymous as the writers in the *Patna*, is another guest at this establishment, having declined to pay a fine imposed on him for walking about in a too nude state, which he thought was allowable in view of the extreme decollete in use among civilised European ladies. But he was mistaken, of course.

Democracy and Republicanism.

It is learned that legislation has been made in Portuguese India upon the definition of "1st class passage" in Government officials, and that it has been decided that a "Cabin de Luxe" is only to be used by Governors-General and Patriarchs—while a single berth cabin on deck B is good enough for Bishops, Generals, and Fiscal Auditors. For departmental chiefs, district governors, judges and higher officials, a single berth cabin on Deck C will meet the case, and for the remaining small fry entitled to a 1st class passage, an ordinary 1st class cabin will have to suffice.

Alf those airs of India! Where there are the Brahmins (priests, born from the head of Brahmin) *Kshatriyas* (warriors, born from his chest) *Vaishyas* (merchants, born from his arms) *Chudras* (the plebeians, born from his feet) and the *Pariahs* (born whence?).

In Full Swing.

The Pedro Nolasco Commercial School, largest exclusively Portuguese institution of secondary instruction in the Far East, is now working at full pressure. The newly opened superior classes in Portuguese have proved extremely popular to judge from the unprecedented number of applications to be allowed to join them.

Macao Club.

A ten-dance and ma-cheuk party took place at the Macao Club on Thursday afternoon, at which the foreign community was strongly represented. Those present included the President of the Club, Sr. Henrique Nolasco, Lieut. F. Dias, Lieut. J. da Costa Siqueira, Mr. and Mrs. Gallion, M. Mino, e Mlle. Mudes, Mr. Scott, Mr. Grantham, Mr. F. Xavier, Sr. Capt. Cardoso, Mr. Julio A. da Silva and many others.

Government House Soiree.

Following the tea-dance at the Macao Club, which continued until 8 p.m., there was a soiree at Government House, at which most of the European community were present.

General Sir Manuel Gomes da Costa K.C.M.G.

General Sir Manuel Gomes da Costa, K.C.M.G., returned from Hongkong on Friday. His plans for returning to Portugal via India are understood to have been modified, and it is bruited in military circles that he will either return to Portugal direct, or remain in Macao for a few months more.

Foundation of the Republic, and the President.

Great preparations are going forward for the celebration on the 5th prox. of the inauguration of President Teixeira Gomes's term of office and of the anniversary of the Foundation of the Republic. There will be a ball and a distribution of alms, but the project for a fair to last from the 5th to the 10th prox. (China's National Holiday)

WINNERS.

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Patrons of the three Cinema Theatres, the Coronet, Star and World are advised to retain their programmes and study the number to be found on the front page.

POSSESSION OF ARMS.

TWO CASES BEFORE
MR. WOOD.

At the Magistracy, this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared for a Chinese returned from America, charged with illegal possession of 820 rounds of revolver ammunition. The defence was that on learning of the death of his wife and child in China, the accused had decided to return home with his savings of \$10,000, which were in drafts on local banks and were on him when arrested. The defendant had lived at 100 Market St. San Francisco, where he had brought the ammunition, no preventative measures having been taken. He had not been searched on the "President Lincoln," on which he arrived here, nor had he been warned of the danger he incurred by passing through Hongkong with the ammunition. He carried the ammunition quite openly in two soap-boxes and made no attempt at concealment. When questioned by the police at the time of the first discovery, he frankly admitted that he had more, which he showed to the police. On learning of the gravity of his offence in view of the new ordinance, defendant spared no expense in engaging Counsel and His Worship was asked to take this into consideration when imposing a penalty.

Mr. T. H. King, prosecuting, said he did not allow that the man was keeping ammunition so openly as his Counsel stated. Some was hidden in a box of dry sea-weed. The usual notices re regulations were posted on the ship. Mr. King acknowledged that the defendant had been perfectly frank.

In imposing a fine of \$50 and ordering the confiscation of the ammunition, the magistrate said he had taken into consideration the expense accused had been put to.

FINE OF \$500.

In a second case another returned emigrant, for whom Mr. T. Barnett appeared, was charged with unlawful possession of a revolver and 206 rounds of ammunition. It was stated accused was returning to his family in the interior. His intention was to proceed, without delay, to his home and remain there 6 months before returning to America. The man was 60 years of age, and had no real knowledge that he was breaking the law. Counsel thought the police would admit he had made no more attempt at concealment than the man in the previous case. The magistrate was asked to take into consideration that the accused had been in custody a week.

A fine of \$500 was imposed and the arms revolver and cartridges were confiscated.

has been abandoned by the Government.

Did They deserve it?

Educational officials here resent the attack on the Secretary-General and Inspector of Public Instruction contained in last week's "Sequoia Portuguesa." If the writer thinks that this gentleman's statement "that they speak some incomprehensible tongue" is refuted by his rejoinder that "however, interpreters were not used" we can only regard his argument as shallow. Perhaps the teacher was the interpreter? Payment irrespective of results is not yet a practical proposition, we fear, while there are efficient schools such as the Pedro Nolasco Commercial School in Macao more deserving of the help of the mother-country.

The Government already subsidises an Italian Orphanage which is thus enabled to cut prices of craftsmen's work in Macao and generally discourage trade; must it also subsidise schools where the students show no benefit from the tuition they have received? It seems that they wish to qualify for Government aid by the amount of harm they can do in a given time. Oh! these priests.....

MONEYLENDER STABBED.

SHAUKIWAN ROAD CRIME.

"Neither a borrower nor a lender be" is a piece of Shakespearean advice, the wisdom of which seems to have been well illustrated in a case brought under the notice of the Chief Justice (Sir William Roes Davies, K.C.) and a jury at the Criminal Sessions to-day.

The prisoner was a Chinese chauffeur and he was accused of having stabbed an Indian money-lender named Palla Singh. Some time last August, supported from the Crown case, Palla Singh got judgment against the chauffeur in connection with a debt. The latter got behind with his instalments and while they were discussing the matter on the Shaukiwian road he is alleged to have stabbed the Indian with some sharp instrument. Two other Chinese who had also had financial transactions with the Indian were suspiciously connected with the affair.

Evidence in support of the Crown case is proceeding. Mr. Campbell Prosser is appearing for the defence.

NEW PIRACY LAWS.

WEST RIVER ILLUSTRATION.

An incident which happened on the West River last week is interesting in view of the new piracy laws. The s.s. "Kochow" left Hongkong on Wednesday and at 4 o'clock next morning, as she was approaching Mah Ning, sounds of heavy firing were heard. It was supposed that Mah Ning was being attacked by soldiers and the ship was stopped.

Shortly afterwards the firing stopped and the "Kochow" proceeded on her way. It was then discovered that the firing had occurred in connection with an attempt to pirate a junk, towed by a launch, which had resisted the pirates and beaten them off.

Under the new piracy regulations it would have been the "Kochow's" duty to interfere. This would probably have meant heavy loss of life because she carried 400 passengers and it has been proved that a service rifle bullet would pierce her plates at 300 yards. As it was, the launch which was towing the junk was armed with a machine gun and the junk evidently had a big crew aboard.

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST CHANGES.

Mr. R. Kettlewell, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Suiyang." Mr. C. H. Thompson, chief officer, "Shengking," is on reserve. Mr. C. B. Adkins, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Shengking." Captain D. Lupton, from reserve, has gone master, "Tientsin." Mr. T. L. Rasmussen, chief officer, "Pakhoi," is on leave. Mr. T. McCourt, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Pakhoi." Captain C. C. Williams, of the "Woonung," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Grossett, from reserve, has gone sup'y second officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. G. Wright has been appointed second officer, "Kwanse."

Mr. A. L. Struthers, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Pakhoi."

Mr. J. P. Macdonald, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Woonung."

Mr. F. L. Loloe, second officer, "Fuho," has gone second officer, "Loongwo." Mr. F. S. Hollingshead, second officer, "Loongwo," has resigned.

Mr. G. B. Slipper, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Fuho."

Mr. O. V. W. R. Basham, from leave, has gone acting master, "Tungshing."

Captain R. W. Bateman, of the "Tungshing," is on leave.

Mr. A. McAlpine, sup'y third engineer, "Esang," has gone acting second engineer, "Kutwo."

Mr. J. J. Robertson, second engineer, "Kutwo," is on leave.

Mr. A. Vaidis, second officer, "Kwangtuh," has gone second officer, "Kwangtuh."

Mr. E. T. Gorovenco, second officer, "Kwangtuh," has gone acting chief officer, "Hsin Kiangteen."

Mr. J. S. Soden, chief officer, "Hsin Kiangteen," has gone acting master, "Kaho."

Captain F. N. Stokes, of the "Kaho," has gone master, "Kwangtuh."

Mr. A. J. Kalin, chief officer, "Kwangtuh," has gone chief officer, "Hagan."

Mr. C. Shepherd, chief officer, "Hagan," has gone chief officer, "Kwangtuh."

Mr. H. J. Grehwe, second officer, "Kaho," has gone second officer, "Irene."

Mr. V. Reinberg has been appointed second officer, "Kaho."

We understand the foundation of the Portuguese Republic is to be celebrated locally by a ball at the Club Lusitano on October 5.

YOKOHAMA QUAKE.

GALLANT DEEDS SAVE THE SICK.

The following extracts are from a letter written by Miss C. Dalton, matron of the Yokohama General Hospital, to a friend in Shanghai. The letter was written on board the "Empress of Canada" en route to Kobe.

When the earthquake came, I was in the attic and dashed downstairs, but could get no further than the bottom stair when the whole house collapsed on top of me. After a time I crawled out and found the ayah. We got back to the hospital and many of the staff (all Japanese except Miss Dalton and Miss Little) were lying in the road. I made my way into the hospital and found Miss Little, assistant matron, getting some of the patients out. Some of the old paralysed ones were thrown out to the roof and we got them down. No one came to help us; they could not I suppose, but we had a patient who was nearly well and he was most heroic. He stuck to us and helped to move the patients. At last we got them all into the garden, which was up on a great hill.

Then the fires started all round us. My house was burned and the wind was terrible; everything caught fire; the remains of the hospital then went and we had to move all these patients again to a patch of grass which seemed safe (300 yds. away). The fires came nearer and we were being scorched and smoked to death. Finally we got through another hedge and dragged our poor helpless things to another bit of waste ground. Here we stood with our faces to the ground, for the smoke and cinders were awful and the fires were quite close to the banks on every side. It was just a question whether the bushes would catch. We left our patients when it seemed safe and went down to the harbour to see if we could get a yonke to carry our people to the boats. Finally we did, in the morning, and got on board the R.M.S. "Empress of Australia."

We felt we would be safe there, but next morning the oil tanks burst and caught fire along the wharf. The burning oil all but caught us. Captain Robinson cruised about in the burning oil all the morning with only one propeller. At one time we thought all was over; then a tug came along and we got clear. The "Empress of Canada" came next day and I got the patients over and here we are, refugees, and being taken to Kobe.

There is not a building left and the whole formation of the place has changed. How we are here I don't know. Thousands must be dead. The Messers and lvs are on board and really many more than one would have expected. All the passengers have been so good in giving up their clothes and the men have been splendid. The one able-bodied patient we had was wonderful—Tiny White he is known as and he is with us still. Last night for the first time I got some sleep and feel a little better now, but the strain of getting all the paralysed people along was awful.

ARCTIC PHONES.

SNOW NEWS FOR WANDERING LAPPES.

Telephone lines are to be laid to the most northerly portions of Lapland in order that the nomad tribes of Lapps may be given meteorological bulletins, and information of snow conditions, when they make their spring and autumn moves.

The Lapps are scattered over the north of Sweden and Norway and the north-west of Russia. Most of them are found north of the Arctic circle. They live by fishing and on the produce of reindeer herds.

SHY ANKLE JUDGES.

MEN WHO KEEP THEIR NAMES SECRET.

In a prettiest ankles competition just held at Cookham (Berkshire) flower show, the men judges withheld their names. Competitors lined up behind a canvas screen with just their feet and ankles showing. Possessors of the most shapely ankles were judged to be: 1, Mrs. Harvey; 2, Miss Connie Brits; and 3, Miss Francis.

£33,750 JEWELS.

DEAUVILLE WOMAN VISITOR ROBBED.

Jewels, including some very valuable diamonds, valued at a total of £33,750, were stolen from Mme. de Gainza, the wife of the principal proprietor of the Argentine newspaper *La Prensa*, who is staying at Deauville.

JAPAN.

PREMIER IN ADDRESS TO NATION.

TOKYO, Sept. 16.

In a lengthy statement addressed to the whole nation, Premier Count Yamamoto reviews the recent catastrophe which devastated five prefectures, rendering millions homeless, robbing many of their parents and relatives, and compelling them to live amid the ruins scantily provided with food and clothing.

Premier Yamamoto congratulates the people on their presence of mind in the face of a most terrible calamity, and he declares that although there were some instances of disorder, peace and order have been well maintained.

Premier Yamamoto gives details of the efforts of the Government to ensure supplies and shelter as a temporary relief, to further restore communications, to facilitate financial operations, and for the distribution of the essentials of life.

Premier Yamamoto expresses the deep sense of gratitude of the Government and people for the sympathy and help shown by foreign nations.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Premier Yamamoto strongly warns against profiteering and he urges all to be guided by the spirit of public service and mutual help, giving as an instance the insurance companies, who, primarily intended for the protection of the public interest, should "show a willingness to sacrifice their own interests and endeavour to the utmost to deserve the confidence of thousands of sufferers."

RECONSTRUCTION.

Premier Yamamoto declares that the reconstruction of a modern capital will be the real test of the resourcefulness of the Japanese, which will demand the effort of the whole country to create something better and greater than the former city, for which the Government have assembled the best available wisdom and talent in the form of a Commission.

Concluding, Premier Yamamoto expresses the hope that the lesson will be learned from the disaster, and that a supreme effort will be made to amend the defects in the life and thought of the nation.

Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

AUTUMN IN PEKING.

USUAL ANXIETY TO RAISE MONEY.

PEKING, September 17. It is understood that Chang Hu, at a meeting with the Chinese bankers held on the 13th inst., promised to attempt to cause the amalgamation of the Ninety-Six Million Loan and the Consolidated Loans if the banks would support the Government in tidying over the autumn festival.

It is reported that Chang Hu wired to Sir Francis Aglen proposing this, and also urging that the two drawings of the Ninth Year Bonds, which are overdue, be held immediately.

Sound financial circles do not believe that Sir Francis Aglen can agree to the proposal, as the Customs receipts are not sufficient for the purpose.

If these proposals fail, the difficulties of passing over the festival will be greatly increased.

—Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

ARMED ROBBERY.

CHINESE WOMAN HELD UP YESTERDAY.

Kam Chun, a married woman living at No. 11 Lun Kwai Fong, has reported to the police that she was held up and robbed of two gold bangles value \$80 at 4.40 p.m. yesterday. She states that as she was returning home, in company with her 16-year-old son, from a visit to her husband at a match on the hillside at Stubbs Road, she was stopped by two men, one of whom was armed with a revolver. The incident occurred about 100 yards from Morrison Hill Gap Road.

JAPAN QUAKE DISASTER.

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JAPAN TO ARM SHIPS.

Peking September 17.—In view of the attacks on Japanese steamers, Japan has decided to place one officer and ten marines with a machine gun on the "Yungyang Maru" when she is running between Ichang and Chungking.—*Reuter*.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Oct. 3.—B.F. Tyndarus.

Nov. 25.—B.F. Tyndarus.

Dec. 13.—B.F. Tyndarus.

Jan. 10.—B.F. Tyndarus.

Feb. 27.—B.F. Tyndarus.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Sept. 20.—B.F. Tyndarus.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S CRUSHING ANSWER.

From the North China Daily News of September 12 we take the following letter signed by Hongkong's Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., C.B.E. Giving the facts clearly and concisely, this notable statement completely answers Mr. Eric Moller's charges against Hongkong's honour. Following the very emphatic replies Mr. Fletcher has already given, this letter constitutes the coup de grace for Mr. Moller and finally removes any doubts that may have lingered in the Shanghai public mind. Addressed to the Editor of the North China Daily News, the letter is as follows:—

Sir,—The letters of August 14 and 17, from Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill, make it evident that their disagreement with the Hongkong Government on the shipping control question is based, to a certain extent at least, upon a misunderstanding, and I therefore ask the hospitality of your columns to explain the situation as the Hongkong Government sees it.

Unay in the first place take the opportunity to express the pleasure with which I have read the very kind references to myself in both letters.

I had missed the significance of previous statements regarding the use of the ships in aid of defence of the Colony, but Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill have now made it clear that they are under the impression that the Governor commanded them under the Order-in-Council of 1896, which permitted him to "require any person to supply any animals, vehicles, ships, boats, or other personal property to the Government, if such property be required in aid of or in connection with the defence of the Colony," and, being under that impression, Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill resented the use which was made of certain of the ships, notably the "Wallowra," claiming that, although they were ostensibly taken in aid of or in connection with the defence of the Colony, they were in fact employed solely for purposes of profit making.

But the Governor did not requisition the ships; the ships were not taken in aid of or in connection with the defence of the Colony, but were to be used, if not otherwise required, on the owners' ordinary business; and the Order-in-Council never came into the matter at all.

ORGANIZING THE MERCANTILE MARINE.

As the war progressed, the increasing losses of tonnage emphasized more and more the vital necessity of organizing the British Mercantile Marine, in order to ensure that every ship should be used in the most economical way to meet the most pressing needs, and to enable the Shipping Controller to take with the least possible delay any vessels that might be directly required for war purposes. The Imperial Government accomplished this end by means of the Liner Requisition Scheme, which was applied in the spring of 1918 to all vessels of United Kingdom registry on Indian and Far Eastern Services, as for example the ships of the Indo-China and China Navigation Companies, and was extended in the spring of 1918 to all vessels of Singapore, Hongkong, and Shanghai registry. The Hongkong and Shanghai vessels were requisitioned by the Admiralty, were put under the control of Colonel Thomson as agent for the Shipping Controller, and were handed over to the Hongkong Government to manage. The Shipping Controller similarly handed over ships to the Peninsular and Oriental Company and other parties to manage; making use of the men and machinery on the spot instead of sending out men who already had more work than they could cope with at home.

The Hongkong Government obeyed orders—it was the spring of 1918, a most critical period in the war—without argument as to the legal authority under which the Imperial Government was acting, and, when the owners' solicitors asked what the authority was, the Hongkong Government, not knowing the answer, referred them to the Imperial Government, stating that it was managing the ships on behalf of and under instructions from the Imperial Government.

LINER REQUISITION SCHEME.

The general policy of the Liner Requisition Scheme, as regards both vessels registered at home and vessels registered in the Far East, is outlined in the Colonial Secretary's letter of March 13, 1918, which is quoted in full by Mr. Moller in his recent letter. "It has been decided to bring under Government control all steamers flying the British flag which have not been requisitioned for Imperial services and which are not under the control of His Majesty's Ministry of Shipping in London. Your vessel will be brought under Government requisition and control, similar to that of vessels under the Home Liner Requisition Scheme. It is intended that so far as practicable, you should run your vessels as for yourselves, though on Government account... where your business is that of a regular established line, it is not the desire of the Government to interfere with the nature of it or with your method of conducting it except in so far as national interests might require."

The general intention is that, subject always to the instructions of the Shipping Control Committee, you should run your vessel as for yourselves, though on account of the Government, who confidently look to you to conduct the business with as much zeal and care as if your own interests were still involved. It will be seen, and Mr. Moller who quotes these instructions should surely have realized, that there was no suggestion that the ships were commandeered in aid of or in connection with the defence of the Colony. I think that Mr. S. T. Williamson, Chairman of the Shipowners' Protection Association, will bear me out when I say that the Government gave all information in its possession to every inquirer, without reserve; and perhaps, if Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill had been resident in the Colony at the time, there would have been no misunderstanding regarding the purpose of the Scheme, the method of requisition, war risk insurance, and kindred matters.

THE FINANCIAL SIDE.

As regards the financial side of the question, the continual taking of vessels for war purposes resulted in an ever increasing shortage of shipping for ordinary trade, and freight rates soared rapidly. The Imperial Government decided that it was unfair that owners, whose ships had not been taken for war purposes, should reap the benefit of a rise in prices, which was due solely to the compulsory withdrawal of competing ships and was not the result of individual enterprise, and it decreed that there should be equality of treatment for all. All were to be paid on the same basis, and no owner was to be allowed to profit at the expense of the others. The Hongkong Government was not asked to express an opinion on this matter. It was definitely ordered, and the point was reiterated as a result of subsequent representations, that the remuneration of the ships which it managed must not be appreciably higher or lower than that of competing vessels registered and owned in the United Kingdom. The rates to be paid were known as Blue Book rates, with Eastern allowance, and the adequacy of this payment in ordinary circumstances may be judged in the light of Mr. Burkill's admission that the Hongkong Government gave him \$15,010 a month for the "Patriot," which at date of requisition was chartered for \$12,000 a month.

The Hongkong Government cannot agree that any owner suffered loss as a result of the Scheme. It has been pointed out in my report that Mr. Moller received between \$300,000 and \$400,000 in respect of the broken charter of the "Castledale," and that Mr. Burkill never claimed any loss in respect of his ships.

THE LESS FAVOURABLE TREATMENT.

The Hongkong Government has from the commencement maintained the position that most of the local owners received less favourable treatment than was accorded to owners under the Imperial Scheme, for the reason that the locally managed vessels were for the most part older than competing ships and cost more in marine risk insurance, coal, and repairs, and in maintenance generally. The Imperial Government has informed the owners that it is prepared to receive further representations under this head, but it has warned them that any concession which the Hongkong Government may wish to suggest must be reviewed at home by the various departments interested in the matter, before any undertaking can be given.

The management of the Hongkong ships resulted in a large profit and similarly ships under direct control from home brought in a large profit. The Imperial Government ordered that these profits must be retained by the community, and it enforced its order by the Indemnity Act at home and by the Indemnity Ordinance in Hongkong. The ultimate disposal of the money held in Hongkong has not been decided upon, but it is the intention to use it either for the benefit of shipping in Far Eastern waters or directly for the benefit of the Imperial Government.

THE INDEMNITY ORDINANCE.

With regard to the Indemnity Ordinance: Mr. Burkill asks why, when the owners brought their action in December, 1919, did not the Hongkong Governor non-suit them by defending the action and proving that it should have been brought against the Imperial Government. This is exactly the course which the Hongkong Government proposed, but the Imperial Government decreed otherwise. Mr. Burkill was personally informed at the Colonial Office that "the Indemnity Ordinance was not a device of the Hongkong Government to meet their own special difficulties, but was passed on the instructions of His Majesty's Government as similar Ordinances were passed in Colonies similarly situated, and were intended to carry out the deliberate intention and decision of His Majesty's Government that shipowners in Hongkong and elsewhere in the Colonies must not be placed in any way in a more favourable position than shipowners in this Country. It was only for technical reasons, not specially affecting Hongkong, that it had been decided not to apply the Imperial Indemnity Act to the Colonies. The Hongkong Ordinance was a piece of Imperial policy... and it was inconceivable that it should be disallowed."

Mr. Burkill objects to the use of the "Wallowra" on the Singapore-Rangoon run at \$110,000 a month and he states that the right course would have been to hand the ship back to the original rice charterers at \$51,000 a month. But, in accordance with the Imperial Government's instructions, the owners were to run the ship as if for themselves; the owners introduced and pressed for acceptance of the \$110,000 charter, wishing no doubt to get their 5 per cent. commission on the larger instead of on the smaller sum; other arrangements had been made for the necessary supply of rice; and the Singapore-Rangoon charter enabled the Hongkong Government both to comply with a request from the Singapore Government to supply coals to mine tin for war purposes, and also to keep open the important Rangoon connection.

A SINGAPORE ACTION.

Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill refer to a suit successfully brought by the Eastern Steamship Company in Singapore against the Government of the Straits Settlements; they describe this action as being similar to the "Wallowra" action; and they suggest that the decision in Singapore influenced the policy as to the Indemnity Ordinance in Hongkong. There was no similarity between the two actions. The Eastern Steamship Company refused to operate their vessels under the Liner Requisition Scheme; the Governor thereupon requisitioned them with an intimation that they would be removed from the Company's management; and the Court found that this expropriation, in the form in which it was carried out, was not in exercise of any of the powers conferred upon the Governor. In Hongkong no owner refused to run his ship under the Liner Requisition Scheme, and the Governor never requisitioned a single vessel. Details of the Singapore action did not reach the Hongkong Government until some months after the Indemnity Ordinance was decided upon, and the Hongkong Government's policy was not affected thereby in any way whatsoever.

LAWN BOWLS.

SHANGHAI MEN LOSE TO K.C.C.

At the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday the home team defeated Shanghai at Lawn Bowls by the narrow margin of one.

Though the game was ragged, nevertheless towards the end, when both teams were practically running level, the close finish provided some excitement. For the first four heads Shanghai did not score a point whilst their opponents had registered to their credit. Then for the next seven heads Shanghai had it all their own way, the tenth head giving them a "bunch" of shots—six. At the end of the eleventh they had drawn level. Kowloon took the next two heads, giving them another five points (17-12). At the 16th head Shanghai, with four shots, took the lead for the first time (19-17). At the very next head there was another change, Kowloon getting four shots in, giving them the lead again by two points (21-19). Two points for Shanghai at the next head made it a tie (21 all). At the nineteenth and twentieth heads Kowloon secured one point in each and at the last head the visitors secured one point. The final scores were 23-22.

THE TEAMS WERE:—

KOWLOON C.C. SHANGHAI.
Nicholls Poignand
Davis Shaw
Stevens Tomlinson.
Gibson Cheetham

The progressive scores were:—

No. of	Head.	Shots.	Total.	Shots.	Total.
1	4	4	—	—	—
2	1	5	—	—	—
3	2	7	—	—	—
4	3	10	—	—	—
5	—	10	1	1	1
6	—	10	2	3	3
7	2	12	—	—	—
8	—	12	1	4	4
9	—	12	1	5	5
10	—	12	6	11	11
11	—	12	1	12	12
12	3	15	—	—	—
13	2	17	—	—	—
14	—	17	1	13	13
15	—	17	2	15	15
16	—	17	4	19	19
17	4	21	—	—	—
18	—	21	2	21	21
19	1	22	—	—	—
20	1	23	—	—	—
21	—	23	1	22	22

LAND SALES.

SITES AT POKFULUM.

Five lots of Crown land at Pokfulum were auctioned by Mr. Parker Rees yesterday afternoon, and were sold as follows:—
Rural building lot 230, area 241,350 square feet, annual rental \$486, upset price \$46,130. Sold to Mr. Chan Hung for \$44,000.
Rural building lot 232, area 24,440 square feet, annual rental \$444, upset price of \$8,143. Sold to Mr. Chan Hung for \$57,400.
Rural building lot 231, area 127,120 square feet, annual rental \$438, upset price \$41,614. Sold to Mr. Li Hoi-ling for \$17,100.
Rural building lot 233, area 10,160 square feet, annual rental \$34, upset price \$3,502. Sold to Mr. Chan Sau-fung for \$7,500.
Rural building lot 234, area 24,870 square feet, annual rental \$86, upset price \$8,283. Sold to Mr. Chin Tin-cho for \$13,000.

Mr. Moller calls me to task for criticizing in my report his use of the word "almost." He claims that he used the expression "almost immediately" and that I "omitted and overlooked the all important word 'almost.'" The word "almost" does not occur in the published report of Mr. Moller's speech, and I take exception to his action in putting the blame of omitting it upon me.

NO SHIELDING.

It has been suggested that the Hongkong Government is shielding itself behind the Imperial Government in the sense that it admits that some injustice has been done, for which however the Imperial Government is to blame. The Hongkong Government shields itself behind nobody. It has published a plain statement of facts and it now adds the expression of its opinion that, so far from there being any question of blame, the policy adopted although distasteful to a few individuals, was manifestly right and in the interests of the Empire as a whole. What would Mr. Moller and Mr. Burkill have? Their ships did not even belong to an old-established line, but were acquired after the outbreak of war, and why should they, secure from the perils of the war in far-off Shanghai, be chosen out from all other British shipowners to reap the results of others' sacrifices?

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GASCOIGNE CUP.

PRIZES PRESENTED LAST EVENING.

[By Argus.]

At the R.A.S.C. chamber last evening, a capital display of water polo was witnessed when the 88th Co. R.G.A., winners for the second year in succession of the Gascoigne Cup, met a team chosen from the remaining nine teams entered for the competition. Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., the G. O. C. China Command, accompanied by his daughters, Lieut-Colonel R.F.A. Butterworth, C.M.G., D.S.O., and a number of other officers were interested spectators of the game.

The teams were:—
88th Co. R.G.A.:—Sergt. Holloway (goal); Lieut. Walsh, Gnr. Hitchins (backs); L.-Br. Wood (half-back); Gnr. Polton, Gnr. McDade, Tr. Collyer (forwards).
The Rest:—Pte. Osborne (goal); Cpl. Percy, Pte. Profit, (backs); Pte. Potter (half-back); Pte. Hughes, L.-cpl. Parry, L.-cpl. Paul (forwards).

With the exception of Percy (R.A.M.C.) all the players were drawn from the King's.

Referee:—Mr. J. Finch.

THE GAME.

The R.G.A. pressed from the start and, from a pass by Wood, McDade sent over the bar. A foul against the Rest gave Wood an opening which he was not slow to take advantage of (1-0 in favour of R.G.A.). A minute later the same player, from a long throw of Hitchins, put the R.G.A. two points up (2-0). The Rest now began to show better combination and Hughes, with a long cross-shot from the right wing, opened the score for the Rest (2-1). When the whistle sounded for the interval, the Rest were doing most of the attacking.

From the restart, a fine individual run by McDade for the gunners looked dangerous, but he shot straight at the goal. The Rest returned to the attack and Hughes made matters equal with rather a soft shot. After a corner to the R.G.A. which was cleared, McDade secured the ball and ended up a fine individual effort by scoring the most spectacular goal of the match. A tremendous tussle now ensued and just on the stroke of time Profit scored and the game resulted in a draw of 3 goals each.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.

A move was then made for the big lighter to witness the presentation of the cup and medals. Col. Butterworth, in a few introductory remarks, dwelt on the excellent display witnessed in the final game and congratulated the 88th company in retaining their unbeaten record. Ten teams, he said, had taken part in the competition but not one had been able to lower the colours of the 88th company which, for the second year in succession, had deservedly won the trophy. He then asked Sir John to present the Cup to Lance-bombardier Wood and hand the medals to the individual members of the team. Sir John, in a few appropriate sentences, said how gratified he was to learn of the healthy rivalry the competition had evoked and congratulated the players on the fine display of "clean" polo which they had exhibited in the final contest. He then handed the Cup to L.-Br. Wood and a medal to each member of the team.

Three hearty cheers for the G.O.C. and Col. Butterworth, the officer in charge of garrison athletics, brought proceedings to a close.

GAME AT V.R.C.

At the V.R.C. swimming pool last night the King's A. and B. teams played a draw of 2 goals each in the Hongkong Water Polo League. At half-time the seniors were 1-nil, Jones being the scorer. Early in the second half, Osborne put the A. team 2 goals up. The juniors then rallied and Hughes and Newsholme each scored a point.

Mr. R. Wittich was in charge of the game.

As neither the R. G. A. (B.) nor L. R. C. put in an appearance, they forfeit the points to the King's A. and B. respectively.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. 1ST TRIAL MATCH ON SATURDAY.

On the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Saturday afternoon next, the season will open with a trial match between teams captained by Mr. McNicoll and Mr. Holland. Play will commence at 2.15. The teams:—

L. D. McNicoll (capt.), A. C. I. Bowler, E. G. England, W. Galloway, A. K. Mackenzie, M. M. Mass, D. B. Peat, T. R. Riddle, H. Spicer, R. F. Walker, J. R. Why and R. H. Wild.
H. E. Holland (capt.) T. G. Bennett, J. P. Bridger, A. V. T. Dean, E. R. S. Dods, W. Hattersley Smith, T. King, W. Mackenzie, G. R. More, G. H. Percy, A. R. F. Raven, M. M. Watson.
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REV. E. J. ELLISON.

The English Baptist Mission has sustained a great loss by the death on September 2 from tuberculosis of the Rev. E. J. Ellison B.Sc., at the age of 36.

Mr. Ellison was born in India, the son of missionary parents, and was educated at the school for the sons of missionaries at Blackheath. Later he studied at Liverpool University, where he graduated in Science.

He came to China in 1902, and was for a few years located in Shensi, where with several of his colleagues, his life was in peril during the early stages of the first Revolution.

He was afterwards transferred to Shanghai to do the special educational work for which he was peculiarly fitted.

His colleagues will long cherish the memory of a true Christian gentleman, and many of his friends in various parts of China will join them in respectful sympathy with the widow and with the little boy on whose second birthday, by a strange and sad coincidence, Mr. Ellison passed away.

CHANGSHA OCCUPIED.

Peking September 17.—Chao Heng-ti's troops occupied Changsha on the 14th. The fighting was not serious.—Reuter.



Princess Sued Chakir. *W.H.*

In 1915, after his first wife had divorced him, the late John D. Spreckles, Jr., of San Francisco, member of the fabulously wealthy sugar family, married Sidi Wirt, a Kansas ranch girl. He was killed in 1921, in an automobile accident, while his second wife's divorce suit was pending. Now comes word that Sidi Wirt Spreckles has married Prince Sued Chakir, head of one of the richest and most influential families in Turkey, with a wonderful palace overlooking the Bosphorus in Constantinople.



Dr. & Mrs. Louis Freedman. *W.H.*

Dr. Louis Freedman, showing the strain of 26 hours' continuous work on a chemical experiment performed for the Government in its suit to recover German chemical and dye patents, reached Albany, N. Y., just in time for his wedding to Miss Bertha Gallup. Dr. Freedman, a witness in Washington, asserted, contrary to defence witnesses, that it was possible to make drugs from the German formulae without secret instructions. He was ordered to do so, despite the fact that his wedding was at hand. He produced the drug, jumped into a taxicab, rushed to the Washington depot, caught his train and reached Albany in time for the nuptials.



Joe and Roland Delafosse. *W.H.*

Several months ago, Joe and Roland Delafosse, 11 and 9 years old respectively, asked their father to loan them \$50 with which to establish a juvenile sporting goods store in Rockville Centre, Long Island, their suburban home. The little shop was opened in the family garage, and the youngsters have managed so well they have \$1,000 in the bank, together with a large stock of goods. They are shown making sales in their little store.



Mrs. Myrtle Kaiser. *W.H.*

Purposely run down by an automobilist because she had refused to take a ride with five strange men, pretty Myrtle Kaiser was found unconscious in a roadway in Baltimore. She is seriously injured.



Mary Helen Chadwick. *W.H.*

Mary Helene Chadwick, known on the screen as Helene Chadwick, charges desertion in her divorce suit, in a Los Angeles court against William Wellman. She asks that her maiden name be restored. This is her latest photograph.



Above: Mrs. W.K. Vanderbilt II, Mrs. Payne Whitney & Mrs. Cary Grayson. Below: Mrs. Henry C. Phipps and Mrs. George W. Loft.

Women are becoming important factors on the American turf, especially so since legalized betting on races has been prohibited and the "Sport of Kings" has been placed on a higher basis. Mr. W.K. Vanderbilt II has just begun the purchase of a large stable of races to carry her colour, as has Mrs. Henry Carnegie Phipps. Mrs. Payne Whitney, of New York, is already owner of one of the best strings on the American turf, while Mrs. George W. Loft, woman Deputy Police Commissioner of New York, wife the millionaire candy manufacturer, has several fast horses herself, as has Mrs. Cary Grayson, wife of Admiral Grayson, President Wilson's physician.



B. Evard Kepner. *W.H.*



Mrs. Grace S. Kepner. *W.H.*

When Mrs. Grace S. Kepner's body was found in her home, in Frederick, Maryland, on June 18, with a bullet in her brain, the coroner declared it was a plain case of suicide. The young woman's family, however, began an investigation. At second inquest physicians asserted it would have been impossible for Mrs. Kepner to have fired the fatal shot. Testimony was introduced by Miss Lulu Ricketts, alleged affinity of B. Evard Kepner, the husband, that on several occasions he had urged her to run away with him. Kepner admitted his relations with the other woman and declared his wife knew nothing of it. He asserted he had been happy with his wife, and she trusted him. He added Mrs. Kepner was a victim of melancholia and only the day before her death prayed she might die. The Grand Jury, however, found a true bill against him, charging murder in the first degree. Kepner is shown here with his attorneys, Leo Weinberg (left) and Guy K. Motter.

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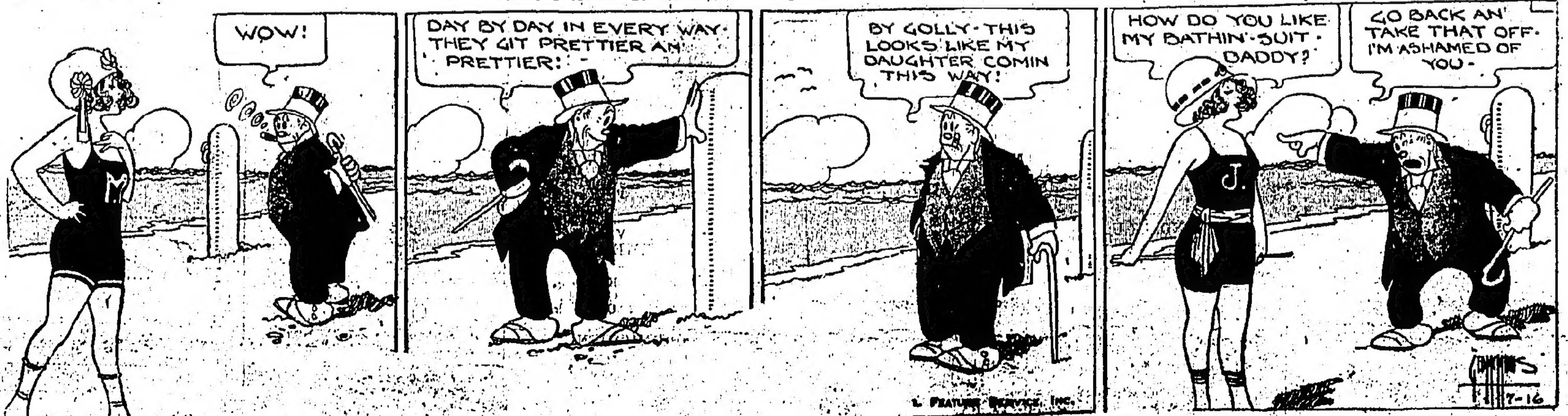
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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been
compiled at the National Almanac Office
in London from the result of the analysis
of observations taken by means of an
automatic tide-recording machine in the
Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui
during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet
higher than mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge
at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet
to obtain the height given in the table.

September 19 to 16, 1918.

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THE B.A.T.

NEW BRITISH HEAD
INTERVIEWED.

The new Tobacco King is Sir
Hugo Cunliffe-Owen, who has suc-
ceeded Mr. J. B. Duke, an Ameri-
can, as chairman of the British-
American Tobacco Company. It
has been suggested that the appoint-
ment of Sir Hugo represents a valu-
able British point at the expense of
America, and that British interests
are still further strengthened by the
alleged controlling power of the
Imperial Tobacco Co. over the
British-American Co. Sir Hugo
Cunliffe-Owen, however, has ex-
plained in an interview that wrong
conclusions had been drawn from
purely accidental circumstances.

"There has been no fight for con-
trol at all," he said. "Mr. Duke has
been a great friend of us all for
many years, and we are all sorry
he has retired. But for some years
he has been expressing a desire to
retire in order to enjoy a little
leisure. We have always asked him
to stay on, but now he prefers to
get the leisure to which he is so
thoroughly entitled after his busy
career."

WORKING SIDE BY SIDE.
"There is no question whatever
of any fight for control. Our whole
organization consists of Americans
and Englishmen, who work side by
side on terms of the greatest friend-
ship and goodwill. Our three vice-
chairmen are all Americans, and
my succession to the office held by
Mr. Duke is the natural result of
my work for 15 or 16 years as vice-
chairman. I deprecate the drawing
of wrong inferences from a quite
simple change that has no signifi-
cance whatever, and certainly can-
not disturb the harmony that exists.
Whatever foul may have been in
existence 20 years ago, consequent
on the enterprise of Mr. Duke and
the reply of the British companies,
is dead and buried. We are all firm
friends now."

"What is the relation of the Im-
perial Tobacco Company to the
British-American?" Sir Hugo was
asked.

"The Imperial," he replied,
"owns a large block of shares in the
British-American."

"Would it be correct to call it a
controlling interest?"

"Well, it all depends on the
meaning of the terms controlling in-
terest. The Imperial simply has
a large block of shares in the
British-American."

"Which will always speak for
itself?"

"Exactly."

FIVE SKELETONS.

**WOMEN BURIED IN YARD
15 YEARS AGO.**

The skeletons of five women
were discovered by nannies in
a small yard in the Maison-Blanche
quarter, in the south-east of Paris.
They were lying side by side about
5 ft. down.

At first the bones were thought
to be those of some of the victims
of Landri, the Paris Bluebeard of
1919, but medical examination
showed they had been buried for
more than 15 years.

It is reported that Mr. Augustus
John's portrait of Mme. Suggat at
present on view at the Alpine
Gallery, Mill-street, Conduit-street,
W. I., was sold to an American who
wishes to remain anonymous, and
that he has insured the picture for
£10,000 and may lend it to one of
our national collections for a period
before it goes to the United States.

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in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
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Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
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FRIDAY, SEPT. 28th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
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in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 30th at 8.15 p.m.
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in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
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MONDAY, SEPT. 1st at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
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in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
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TUESDAY, SEPT. 2nd at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3rd at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 4th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 5th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

MONDAY, SEPT. 8th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 9th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 11th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
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croft.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 12th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 14th at 8.15 p.m.
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Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

MONDAY, SEPT. 15th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 16th at 8.15 p.m.
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Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17th at 8.15 p.m.
The great success of the London
Theatre, "THE BIRD SONG."
"THE BIRD SONG" is a play
in the pen of Arthur Wing Pin-
croft.

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Amoy 5 p.m.

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Swatow
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Ling Nam
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Marseilles, South Africa, India via
Marseilles, Aden, Egypt and
EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due
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p.m. Letters 3 p.m.

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8th Oct. Parcels 2.15 p.m. Saturday 22
Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

Shanghai and Japan Nellore 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou